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SRI M. DHARMALINGAM :—" I hope the Hon. Minister would have heard from the public as well as the drivers and conductors who happen to travel in these buses that the smell produced causes T.B. when it goes into the lungs; also the sound produced by the engine makes the people deaf as it beats on the drums in the ears. Will the Government consider the necessity for constituting a Medical Expert Committee to go into this question and do the needful in the matter? "

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" Sir, the policy of Governments throughout the world and in other States in this country is to go in for diesel buses for various reasons. Further in England and America some Experts were asked to go into this question and they are satisfied that diesel engines are not so dangerous as petrol driven engines."

9-30 a.m. * 1636 Q.—SRI N. K. PALANISAMY :—" Sir, I request that this question may be taken day after to-morrow."

MR. SPEAKER :—" Yes, I have no objection."

Electrification of Government Offices in Tiruvallur

* 1637 Q.—SRI M. DHARMALINGAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether any proposal is pending with the Government for the electrification of the Taluk office, Sub-Magistrate's Court and the Deputy Collector's Court in Tiruvallur, Chingleput district; and

(b) if so, the present stage of the proposal?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU :—" (a) & (b) Proposals for the electrification of the Taluk office and the Sub-Magistrate's Court at Tiruvallur are under consideration. In regard to the Deputy Collector's office, Tiruvallur, no proposal for electrification has been made."

School of Arts and Crafts, Madras

* 1638 Q.—SRI K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) whether the peons in the School of Arts and Crafts, Madras, are paid daily wages and not monthly salaries, and if so, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether they are given any holidays with pay and if not, why; and

(c) whether it is a fact that the students in this institution do not get in time their stipends, brushes, colours, and paper sanctioned to them, and if so, why?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" (a) The peons in the School of Arts and Crafts, Madras, are paid monthly salaries in the time scale of pay of Rs. 18—1—20 with the usual allowances admissible to such Government servants.